STATE OF WISCONSIN

SENATE CHAIR MARK MILLER

317 East, State Capitol P.O. Box 7882 Madison, WI 53707-7882 Phone: (608) 266-9170



ASSEMBLY CHAIR MARK POCAN

309 East, State Capitol P.O. Box 8952 Madison, WI 53708-8952 Phone: (608) 266-8570

JOINT COMMITTEE ON FINANCE

<u>MEMORANDUM</u>

To:

Members

Joint Committee on Finance

From:

Senator Mark Miller

Representative Mark Pocan

Date:

March 4, 2010

Re:

Department of Public Instruction Annual Report on the Status of the

Preschool-to-Grade-Five Prgram-2008-09

Attached is a report on status of Preschool-to-Grade-Five (P-5) from the Department of Public Instruction, pursuant to s. 115.45(6)(b)(c), Stats.

This report is being provided for your information only. No action by the Committee is required. Please feel free to contact us if you have any questions.

Attachments

MM:MP:jm



DATE:

February 26, 2010

TO:

Senator Mark Miller, Co-Chair, Joint Committee on Finance

Representative Mark Pocan, Co-Chair, Joint Committee on Finance

FROM:

Tony Evers, PhD, State Superintendent

SUBJECT: Annual Report on the Status of the Preschool-to-Grade-Five Program—2008-09

This annual report on the status of the Preschool-to-Grade-Five (P-5) Program is submitted to the Joint Committee on Finance and the chief clerk of each house of the legislature as required under s. 115.45 (6) (b) and (c), Wis. Stats. The report provides test data for the 2008-09 school year for all of the P-5 schools and three years of test data for eight schools that completed the third year of the grant funding cycle. Also reviewed were attendance and poverty rates for all of the schools.

During the 2008-09 school year, 38 elementary schools from four districts participated in the program. This included twenty schools in Milwaukee, seven schools in Kenosha, six schools in Racine, and five schools in Beloit. Grants are awarded for three-year periods. Under s. 115.45 (10), Wis. Stats., a grant may not be renewed unless the state superintendent determines the project met its objectives. Eight of the 38 schools completed their three-year cycle in 2008-09, and this report contains recommendations for continued funding for all of these schools.

Specific testing is required annually in each school under s. 115.45 (4) (b), Wis. Stats. This report reviews the performance of the schools on these tests. Also reviewed were student enrollment, attendance and poverty rates, and funding the districts received in 2008-09 pending completion of the 2009-10 grants. The evaluation reports from each P-5 district are enclosed.

If you have questions regarding this document, please contact Kevin Ingram, Director, Wisconsin Educational Opportunity Programs and Office of Urban Education at (414) 227-4413 or kevin.ingram@dpi.wi.gov.

Enclosure



DATE:

February 26, 2010

TO:

Robert J. Marchant, Chief Clerk

Wisconsin Senate

FROM:

Tony Evers, PhD, State Superintendent

SUBJECT:

Annual Report on the Status of the Preschool-to-Grade-Five Program—2008-09

The annual report on the status of the Preschool-to-Grade-Five (P-5) Program has been submitted to the Joint Committee on Finance and is submitted to you for referral to the appropriate standing committees pursuant to s. 115.45 (6) (b) and (c), Wis. Stats.

All P-5 school district evaluation reports for 2008-09 are contained herein, reporting on the academic progress for all schools funded by the P-5 program. If you have any questions, please contact my office or Kevin Ingram, Director, Wisconsin Educational Opportunity Programs and Office of Urban Education at (414) 227-4413 or kevin ingram@dpi.wi.gov.

TE:sjb

Enclosure